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FOLLOWING REPEAT BAMAKO 1620 ACTION SECSTATE JUNE 14TH

QUOTE

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TAGS: BDIS, ETRN, ML
SUBJ: MIAMI AVIATION DISPUTE WITH AIR MALI

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM WORLD AIRWAYS REP CAPT NEALE ENSIGN THAT $248,000 OF A $500,000 SECURITY DEPOSIT, IN BANK OF AMERICA OAKLAND AIRPORT BRANCH, HAS BEEN ATTICHED BY A MIAMI COURT, THIS RESULT OF A SUIT BY MIAMI AVIATION AGAINST AIR MALI FOR A 5 PER CENT FINDERS FEE ON NET PAYMENTS MADE TO WORLD AIRWAYS SINCE LEASE OF WORLD AIRWAYS BOEING 727 TO AIR MALI BEGAN SEVERAL YEARS AGO.

2. MIAMI AVIATION HAD PREVIOUSLY SUED WORLD AIRWAYS ON THIS SAME MATTER IN EARLY 1974 BUT HAD LOST SUIT IN A CALIFORNIA COURT. MIAMI AVIATION THEN SUED AIR MALI DIRECTLY. ATTACHMENT ORDER CAME BECAUSE NEITHER AIR MALI NOR ITS LAWYER APPEARED IN COURT. WORLD AIRWAYS HAS ADVISED AIR MALI TO HIRE ONE OF ITS LAWYERS TO HANDLE CASE AND AIR MALI HAS REPORTEDLY RETAINED LAWYER AND PAID $5,000 FEE.
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3. EMBASSY INTERESTED IN OBTAINING SPECIFICS OF MIAMI COURT CASE IN ORDER EXPLAIN TO GOM REASON WHY THEIR DEPOSIT ATTACHED BY U.S. COURT. AIR MALI DIRECTOR AND MINISTER OF STATE ENTERPRISES BOTH REPORTEDLY AT LOSS TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS COULD HAVE HAPPENED IN A FREE COUNTRY. WE SUSPECT THAT MALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON WAS NOTIFIED OF COURT PROCEEDINGS BUT FAILED TO RESPOND IN ANY WAY. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RUNDOWN ON CASE AND CURRENT STATUS IN ORDER BE ABLE DISCUSS HERE.

4. INFORMATION SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FROM:
A. PETER N. TIGE
WORLD AIRWAYS VICE PRESIDENT FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS
OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
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B. MR JACK REITER
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